

Gupta, Kaushal

From: Gupta, Kaushal
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 1:13 PM
To: O'Grady, John
Cc: Trevino, Jeffery; Wheatley, Jessica; Maso, Carmen
Subject: RE: What We Would Appreciate (FOIA EPA-R5-2017-003495 and EPA-R5-2017-003764)
Attachments: Emails_for_FOIA's_EPA-R5-2017-003495_and_-003764.zip

Hello John,

Rather than using thumb drives, I've attached a ZIP file containing the 117 emails. By Friday, March 24, please review them and let me know, by filename (e.g. "ED_001126_00000110.pdf"), which ones are solely union-to-union. Per advice from the EPA Office of General Counsel, the union-to-union emails are not subject to FOIA and will therefore be excluded from our responses to the FOIA requests.

These emails were found by searching for "Trump," "POTUS," "confirmation," and "transition." This likely pulled in some emails that are not relevant to the FOIA requests ("Any email sent and received by John O'Grady from January 28, 2017, through February 1, 2017, that mentions or refers to President Trump, excluding news clippings or public source material"). The FOIA Office will go through these emails and exclude the ones that are not relevant to the FOIA requests. We will also redact any text that appears to be private contact information such as cell phone numbers and EPA attorney-client privileged communication.

Speaking of which, the emails have your signature which includes your Gmail address, your cell phone number, and a P.O. box address. Are these private contact information? If so, we will redact them.

As the attached emails are internal to EPA until released under FOIA, I have not cc'ed your attorney, Mr. Harris, on this message.

Thanks,

Kaushal

From: John J O'Grady [mailto:p(b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 10:06 AM
To: Gupta, Kaushal <Gupta.Kaushal@epa.gov>
Cc: O'Grady, John <Ogrady.Johnj@epa.gov>; Trevino, Jeffery <trevino.jeffery@epa.gov>; Wheatley, Jessica <wheatley.jessica@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: What We Would Appreciate (FOIA EPA-R5-2017-003495 and EPA-R5-2017-003764)

Thank Kaushal.

I am out of the office today, as well as on Monday, March 13, 2017. I am not yet sure about Tuesday, March 14th, but will let you know as soon as possible.

What I would like to suggest is that you (1) BATES Stamp the documents, and (2) download the files for review onto two separate flash drives. I will pick up mine, and I would ask that you mail the other one to my attorney at the following address:

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On Fri, Mar 10, 2017 at 9:26 AM, Gupta, Kaushal <Gupta.Kaushal@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello John,

The technical issue we had yesterday has been resolved. Would you and Jeff be available today to go through the emails? If not, please let me know your availability next week.

Also, please provide me with Chad's contact information.

Thanks,

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From: O'Grady, John

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 3:26 PM

To: Gupta, Kaushal <Gupta.Kaushal@epa.gov>

Cc: Trevino, Jeffery <trevino.jeffery@epa.gov>; John J. O'Grady <(b) (6)>

Subject: What We Would Appreciate

Kaushal,

What I would like to do is the following:

Review the 117 e-mails in the company of my AFGE Local 704 Steward Jeff Trevino.

Second, I would like to arrange for the AFGE Office of General Counsel attorney, Chad Harris, to be able to independently review the records at the US EPA Headquarters Union Office for AFGE Local 3331.

In Solidarity!

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